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**"AN ACT CONCERNING DEFICIT MITIGATION."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 9-705 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective December 1, 2008, and*  
5 *applicable to elections held on or after said date*):

6 (a) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate  
7 for the office of Governor who has a primary for nomination to said  
8 office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election  
9 Fund for the primary campaign in the amount of [one million two  
10 hundred fifty thousand] six hundred twenty-five thousand dollars,  
11 provided, in the case of a primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said  
12 amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

13 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of

14 Governor who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on  
15 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of  
16 part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund  
17 for the general election campaign in the amount of [three million] one  
18 million five hundred thousand dollars, provided in the case of an  
19 election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted  
20 under subsection (d) of this section.

21 (b) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate  
22 for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State  
23 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has a  
24 primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant  
25 from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of [three  
26 hundred seventy-five thousand] one hundred eighty-seven thousand  
27 five hundred dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2014,  
28 or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of  
29 this section.

30 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of  
31 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State  
32 Treasurer who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on  
33 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of  
34 part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund  
35 for the general election campaign in the amount of [seven hundred  
36 fifty] three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, provided in the  
37 case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be  
38 adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

39 (c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of  
40 this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor  
41 party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
42 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State  
43 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the  
44 general election campaign if the candidate of the same minor party for  
45 the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least  
46 ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for

47 said office at said election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third  
48 of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection  
49 (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided  
50 (A) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the  
51 last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the  
52 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said  
53 election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of  
54 the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this  
55 section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the  
56 same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular  
57 election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes  
58 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the  
59 grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign  
60 grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the  
61 same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in 2014, or  
62 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this  
63 section.

64 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this  
65 section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning  
66 party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
67 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State  
68 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the  
69 general election campaign if said candidate's nominating petition has  
70 been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per  
71 cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last  
72 preceding regular election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third  
73 of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection  
74 (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided  
75 (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a  
76 number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the  
77 whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding  
78 regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the  
79 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or  
80 (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if said

81 candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of  
82 qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number  
83 of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election,  
84 the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general  
85 election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a  
86 candidate for the same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in  
87 2014, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (d)  
88 of this section.

89 (3) In addition to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this  
90 subsection, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning  
91 party candidate and the qualified candidate committee of an eligible  
92 minor party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
93 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State  
94 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a supplemental grant from the  
95 fund after the general election if the treasurer of such candidate  
96 committee reports a deficit in the first statement filed after the general  
97 election, pursuant to section 9-608 of the 2008 supplement to the  
98 general statutes, as amended, and such candidate received a greater  
99 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said  
100 office at said election than the per cent of votes utilized by such  
101 candidate to obtain a general election campaign grant described in  
102 subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection. The amount of such  
103 supplemental grant shall be calculated as follows:

104 (A) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than ten  
105 per cent, but not more than fifteen per cent, of the whole number of  
106 votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant  
107 shall be the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the  
108 difference between the percentage of such whole number of votes  
109 received by such candidate and ten per cent and the denominator is  
110 ten, and (ii) two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign  
111 grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party  
112 candidate for the same office.

113 (B) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than fifteen

114 per cent, but less than twenty per cent, of the whole number of votes  
115 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be  
116 the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference  
117 between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by  
118 such candidate and fifteen per cent and the denominator is five, and  
119 (ii) one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant  
120 under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate  
121 for the same office.

122 (C) The sum of the general election campaign grant received by any  
123 such candidate and a supplemental grant under this subdivision shall  
124 not exceed one hundred per cent of the amount of the general election  
125 campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major  
126 party candidate for the same office.

127 (d) For elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the  
128 grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by  
129 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,  
130 2014, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in  
131 the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the  
132 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during  
133 the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December  
134 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is  
135 to be made.

136 (e) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate  
137 for the office of state senator who has a primary for nomination to said  
138 office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary  
139 campaign in the amount of [thirty-five thousand] seventeen thousand  
140 five hundred dollars, provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in  
141 the district served by said office who are enrolled in said major party  
142 exceeds the percentage of the electors in said district who are enrolled  
143 in another major party by at least twenty percentage points, the  
144 amount of said grant shall be [seventy-five thousand] thirty-seven  
145 thousand five-hundred dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in  
146 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h)

147 of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this  
148 subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major party and the  
149 number of electors in a district shall be determined by the latest  
150 enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the Secretary  
151 of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65  
152 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes. The names of electors  
153 on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35 shall not be  
154 counted for such purposes.

155 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of  
156 state senator who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on  
157 the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter  
158 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general  
159 election campaign in the amount of [eighty-five thousand] forty-two  
160 thousand five hundred dollars, provided in the case of an election held  
161 in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection  
162 (h) of this section.

163 (f) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate  
164 for the office of state representative who has a primary for nomination  
165 to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the  
166 primary campaign in the amount of [ten] five thousand dollars,  
167 provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by  
168 said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage  
169 of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party  
170 by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be  
171 [twenty-five thousand] twelve thousand five hundred dollars, and (B)  
172 in the case of a primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall  
173 be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of  
174 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members  
175 of a major party and the number of electors in a district shall be  
176 determined by the latest enrollment and voter registration records in  
177 the office of the Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the  
178 provisions of section 9-65 of the 2008 supplement to the general  
179 statutes. The names of electors on the inactive registry list compiled  
180 under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

181 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of  
182 state representative who has been nominated, or has qualified to  
183 appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of  
184 chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the  
185 general election campaign in the amount of [twenty-five thousand]  
186 twelve thousand five hundred dollars, provided in the case of an  
187 election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted  
188 under subsection (h) of this section.

189 (g) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of  
190 this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor  
191 party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative  
192 shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general  
193 election campaign if the candidate of the same minor party for the  
194 same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten  
195 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said  
196 office at said election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third of the  
197 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or  
198 (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (A) if the  
199 candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last  
200 preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the  
201 whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said  
202 election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of  
203 the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this  
204 section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the  
205 same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular  
206 election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes  
207 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the  
208 grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign  
209 grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a candidate for the  
210 same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in 2010, or  
211 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this  
212 section.

213 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of this  
214 section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning

215 party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative  
216 shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general  
217 election campaign if said candidate's nominating petition has been  
218 signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of  
219 the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding  
220 regular election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third of the  
221 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or  
222 (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (A) if  
223 said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of  
224 qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the whole number  
225 of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election,  
226 the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the  
227 general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this  
228 section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if said candidate's  
229 nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors  
230 equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for  
231 the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the  
232 grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign  
233 grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a candidate for the  
234 same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in 2010, or  
235 thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this  
236 section.

237 (3) In addition to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this  
238 subsection, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning  
239 party candidate and the qualified candidate committee of an eligible  
240 minor party candidate for the office of state senator or state  
241 representative shall be eligible to receive a supplemental grant from  
242 the fund after the general election if the treasurer of such candidate  
243 committee reports a deficit in the first statement filed after the general  
244 election, pursuant to section 9-608 of the 2008 supplement to the  
245 general statutes, as amended, and such candidate received a greater  
246 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said  
247 office at said election than the per cent of votes utilized by such  
248 candidate to obtain a general election campaign grant described in



249 subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection. The amount of such  
250 supplemental grant shall be calculated as follows:

251 (A) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than ten  
252 per cent, but less than fifteen per cent, of the whole number of votes  
253 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be  
254 the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference  
255 between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by  
256 such candidate and ten per cent and the denominator is ten, and (ii)  
257 two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under  
258 subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the  
259 same office.

260 (B) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than fifteen  
261 per cent, but less than twenty per cent, of the whole number of votes  
262 cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be  
263 the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference  
264 between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by  
265 such candidate and fifteen per cent and the denominator is five, and  
266 (ii) one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant  
267 under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate  
268 for the same office.

269 (C) The sum of the general election campaign grant received by any  
270 such candidate and a supplemental grant under this subdivision shall  
271 not exceed one hundred per cent of the amount of the general election  
272 campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major  
273 party candidate for the same office.

274 (h) For elections held in 2010, and thereafter, the amount of the  
275 grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by  
276 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15,  
277 2010, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the  
278 consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the  
279 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during  
280 the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December

281 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is  
282 to be made.

283 (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e), (f) and (g) of  
284 this section, in the case of a special election for the office of state  
285 senator or state representative, the amount of the grant for a general  
286 election campaign shall be seventy-five per cent of the amount  
287 authorized under the applicable said subsection (e), (f) or (g).

288 (j) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (i), inclusive,  
289 of this section:

290 (1) The initial grant that a qualified candidate committee for a  
291 candidate is eligible to receive under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of  
292 this section shall be reduced by the amount of any personal funds that  
293 the candidate provides for the candidate's campaign for nomination or  
294 election pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-710;

295 (2) If a participating candidate is nominated at a primary and does  
296 not expend the entire grant for the primary campaign authorized  
297 under subsection (a), (b), (e) or (f) of this section or all moneys that  
298 may be received for the primary campaign under section 9-713, as  
299 amended or 9-714, the amount of the grant for the general election  
300 campaign shall be reduced by the total amount of any such  
301 unexpended primary campaign grant and moneys;

302 (3) If a participating candidate who is nominated for election does  
303 not have any opponent in the general election campaign, the amount  
304 of the general election campaign grant for which the qualified  
305 candidate committee for said candidate shall be eligible shall be thirty  
306 per cent of the applicable amount set forth in subsections (a) to (i),  
307 inclusive; and

308 (4) If the only opponent or opponents of a participating candidate  
309 who is nominated for election to an office are eligible minor party  
310 candidates or eligible petitioning party candidates and no such eligible  
311 minor party candidate's or eligible petitioning party candidate's

312 candidate committee has received a total amount of contributions of  
313 any type that is equal to or greater than the amount of the qualifying  
314 contributions that a candidate for such office is required to receive  
315 under section 9-704, as amended, to be eligible for grants from the  
316 Citizens' Election Fund, the amount of the general election campaign  
317 grant for such participating candidate shall be sixty per cent of the  
318 applicable amount set forth in this section.

319 Sec. 502. Section 3-69a of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes  
320 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
321 *from passage*):

322 (a) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, the funds received  
323 under this part, excluding the proceeds from the sale of property  
324 deposited in the Special Abandoned Property Fund in accordance with  
325 section 3-62h, shall be deposited in the General Fund.

326 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and each fiscal year  
327 thereafter, a portion of the funds received under this part shall, upon  
328 deposit in the General Fund, be credited to the Citizens' Election Fund  
329 established in section 9-701 of the 2008 supplement to the general  
330 statutes as follows: (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006,  
331 seventeen million dollars, (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007,  
332 sixteen million dollars, (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,  
333 seventeen million three hundred thousand dollars, and (D) for the  
334 fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter, [the  
335 amount deposited for the preceding fiscal year] nine million eight  
336 hundred thousand dollars, adjusted in accordance with any change in  
337 the consumer price index for all urban consumers for such preceding  
338 fiscal year, as published by the United States Department of Labor,  
339 Bureau of Labor Statistics. The State Treasurer shall determine such  
340 adjusted amount not later than thirty days after the end of such  
341 preceding fiscal year.

342 (b) All costs incurred in the administration of this part, except as  
343 provided in section 3-62h and subsection (a) of this section, and all

344 claims allowed under this part shall be paid from the General Fund."